Introduced by Senator Lieu

February 24, 2012

An act relating to food.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1486, as introduced, Lieu. Food facilities: menu labeling.

The Sherman Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Law contains various provisions regarding the contents, packaging, labeling, and advertising of food, drugs, and cosmetics. The California Retail Food Code provides for the regulation of health and sanitation standards for retail food facilities, as defined, by the State Department of Public Health. Under existing law, local health agencies are primarily responsible for enforcing the California Retail Food Code. A violation of any of these provisions is punishable as a misdemeanor.

The code requires fish that are received for sale or service to be commercially and legally caught or harvested. The code also imposes various labeling and storage requirements for shellstock.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to ensure that consumers receive certain information regarding seafood.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- legislation that would ensure that consumers know the true source

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- 1 of seafood through enhanced disclosure and country of origin
- 2 labeling.